

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Palakkad-Pollachi Passenger Service
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways are considering to introduce train service on Palakkad -Pollachi section so as to benefit the pilgrims visiting to Palani;
- (b) if so, the time by which the said train service is likely to be introduced; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (c): Gauge conversion of Pollachi-Palakkad section has already been completed. However, passenger trains can be introduced only after statutory inspection and authorization by the Commissioner of Railway Safety.
